

Holiday day of service honors MLK's memory



PATRICK DOTY
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Despite teeth-chattering temperatures and slippery, snow-covered streets, the sun shined brightly on Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service hosted by the Student Organizations and Leadership Programs.

The event, which began at 10 a.m. at the United Methodist Community Centers Wesley House on 35th and Blondo streets, gave UNO students, faculty and staff a chance to give to the community and make the holiday a "day on" rather than a day off, said SOLP Organizations Advisor Sharif Liwaru.

After signing in and receiving free "Day of Service" t-shirts, three resident assistants from south campus shared laughs as they worked to set up computers for the after-school program at the Wesley House. While the bad driving conditions concerned them, it did not keep them from volunteering and an opportunity for "RA bonding time."

"Last night we were thinking, 'We're probably not going to be able to go tomorrow,'" said London Yang, one of the RAs. "But, the sun was out, so we came, although we had some minor problems going up a few hills."

The RAs were just three of many volunteers who participated in the day of service, ranging from students to faculty members such as interim Chancellor John Christensen and his wife. A total of 60 UNO volunteers attended, Liwaru said.

The Martin Luther King Day event is in correlation with the King Holiday Service Act passed by Congress in 1994. The act designates the holiday as a national day of volunteer service.

Although the act was passed 13 years ago, Monday's day of service is the first such event held in Omaha, said Liwaru. Past years' celebrations included

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photo by Patrick Doty

London Yang, left, and Matt Nash work on setting up computers at the Wesley House Monday.



photo by Patrick Doty

Donal Burns, NU associate executive vice president and provost, swore in President/Regent Alexander Williams during a public ceremony on Tuesday in the student center.

New student government leaders sworn in at installation ceremony

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The recently elected student government president/regent and vice president were formally installed during a ceremony on campus Tuesday.

The ceremony took place in the Milo Bail Student Center Ballroom and was attended by a cross-section of UNO ranging from Regent Randy Ferlic to students who noticed a sign outside the door offering free cake.

President/Regent Alexander Williams took the oath of office following opening remarks by interim Chancellor John Christensen, who reminded attendees of the importance of the office of student regent.

"These roles take a tremendous amount of time and commitment," he said. "I believe that the collective voice of the students is as important as any voice on campus."

Christensen went on to say this year would add an additional responsibility to the office, because he decided to provide student government with "official representation" on the Chancellor's Council.

The council is typically made up of the chancellor, vice chancellors, deans of colleges, director of the alumni association, athletic director, executive director of the Peter Kiewit Institute, assistant to the chancellor as well as the presidents of Faculty Senate and Staff Advisory Council, according to the Faculty Senate's Web site, unomaha.edu/facsen. Williams said membership on the council was the first request he made of Christensen when he was elected in October.

After Williams' installation, Student Government

Chief Justice David Jarvis swore in Vice President Michael White, who promised to "re-establish the role of the vice president," including using his ability to make appointments and form committees. Under the student government constitution, White has the power to make appointments to Student Court, the office of executive treasurer and to fill senate vacancies, all subject to a two-thirds vote of the Student Senate.

"I think that both Alex [Williams] and Michael [White] made very fine presentations and really are going to be the type of leaders we can be proud of," Christensen said after the ceremony.

Williams and White also received scholarships from the UNO Alumni Association, which were presented by Lee Denker, the association's president and chief executive officer.

As of Wednesday, Williams said he was unaware of the amount of the award and said he expected to be in correspondence with the association shortly. Denker did not immediately return a phone call to his home.

"I guess patience is one of the virtues that I'm studying," Williams said.

After the ceremony, Williams characterized the primary goal of his administration as raising student awareness of the services they are provided, including student government, student programming and the Gateway.

"The focus of our administration will be to exploit the different resources and services offered to the campus community, and expand those resources and services," he said. "We're looking for ways to bring those out and about to the community."

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Baghdad suffered worst day of carnage in more than a month, 70 killed in university bombing

By LEILA FADEL AND ZAINEB OBEID
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BAGHDAD, Iraq — The Iraqi capital suffered its worst day of carnage in more than a month on Tuesday as car bombs, roadside explosives and gunfire killed more than 100 people throughout the capital.

Coming one day after a botched execution severed the head of Saddam Hussein's half-brother and on the ninth day of a joint U.S.-Iraqi assault that has decimated the Sunni Muslim Haifa Street neighborhood, the violence heightened the already tense mood of a city wracked by war and girding for the arrival of more U.S. and Iraqi troops.

Fewer than 4,000 of the 17,500 additional troops President Bush has ordered to Baghdad have arrived in the capital, U.S. officials said on Monday, and Tuesday was a reminder of how difficult their job of reining in sectarian violence will be. Bombs hit a crowded university area, a marketplace and a central Baghdad neighborhood. Gunmen later opened fire on pedestrians on a market in an eastern Baghdad district.

Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite, blamed "terrorists" and "Saddamists" for the violence, but there was no way to know for sure who was behind the bloodshed. Most of the attacks took place in Shiite-controlled neighborhoods, but at least one was in a predominantly Sunni area.

The worst bloodshed came at Mustansiriyah University in a Mahdi Army-controlled area near Sadr City. A car bomb drove up to the main gate as students gathered to board minivans home following afternoon classes.

The blast ripped through the crowd, triggering a raging fireball and black clouds of smoke. As wounded and frightened students fled, a suicide bomber walked into the terrified crowd and detonated himself.

Body parts littered the streets, and minibuses filled with students who'd been on their way home were charred beyond salvage. Young men picked up bodies as women wept. "Save me," bleeding victims in the streets begged passersby.

"I saw that innocent blood on the ground, and I thought 'This is judgment day,'" said Israa Hussein, 27, who'd been buying toys from a street vendor when the first bomb detonated. "I turned to see what happened and all I saw was fire and black smoke."

One man searched for his son and finally found his head and torso but no legs.

"Where is his other half?" he asked and then shook with violent sobs.

The bombing killed 70 people and injured 169, according to the Ministry of Interior. State television issued an urgent plea for blood donations.

The university bombing occurred at 4:30 in the afternoon. But violence had begun hours earlier.

In the Shiite area of Karrada, in central Baghdad, a roadside bomb exploded at 10:30 a.m., killing one police officer and two bystanders.

At 1 p.m. two bombs exploded near a motorcycle shop in the mostly Sunni neighborhood of Bab al Sheikh, killing at least 15 people and injuring 70 others.

At 3 p.m. a bomb in a minibus exploded in Sadr City,

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luncheons, activities and speakers.

"We had really inspiring speakers the last two years who both spoke of King's message of service," Liwaru said. "People are really interested in his message: the message of peace, the message of unity, equality, togetherness. Service was one that people don't remember as well, but that he talked about often."

In response to the speakers, SOLP began organizing the day of service last summer, Liwaru said. Although the Wesley House was the only volunteer facility this holiday, more facilities will possibly be added in coming years.

Liwaru was pleased with the volunteer turnout, despite the weekend snowstorm that caused difficult driving conditions Monday morning.

"We know we have a campus that enjoys service and giving back to the community," Liwaru said. "The challenge with this was 'will they come out if it's the winter?' and I think today was the best test of that because we have snow and cold."

The volunteers either worked on various tasks for the after-school program or helped members of the neighborhood clear snow from sidewalks and driveways.

A follow-up meeting will be held in the last week of January for Diversity Week, said Liwaru. Students who volunteered will be able to share their experience and give ideas for next year's day of service.

"In some ways we're going out on a limb to change a tradition," Liwaru said. "We've traditionally had some really beautiful luncheon celebrations on campus, and to change that to something else, especially volunteering and being out in the cold, we're really happy with the success of it."

News You Can Use

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HPER offers various programs for spring semester

In the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Building this spring, Campus Recreation and the Wellness Stampede will offer massages, yoga classes and dance lessons.

Chair massages are offered the third Friday of the month starting Friday, Jan. 18 (except for March, which will be held on Friday, March 23). The massages are offered from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and cost \$15 for 15 minutes or \$20 for 30 minutes. Register in room 100 of HPER. Walk-ins accepted.

Instructional yoga classes are offered starting Monday, Jan. 22, lasting six weeks from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Classes cost \$15 for students and are held in room 230 of HPER.

More programs offered by HPER include swing and Latin dance lessons. Both classes start on Sunday, Feb. 11 and end Sunday, March 4. Swing dancing is taught from 2 to 3 p.m. and Latin dancing from 3 to 4 p.m. Lessons cost \$15 for activity card holders and \$18 for non-activity card holders, with an additional fee of \$5 to attend both classes.

Professional development to benefit businesses

The Nebraska Business Development Center is now offering professional development classes. The NBDC is a cooperative program of the U.S. Small Business Administration and UNO's College of Business Administration that has trained more than 65,000 people at more than 750 companies in results-based, interactive professional development programs. A list of the classes is as follows:

Wednesday, Jan. 24

Finance and Budget for Non-financial Managers

Tuesday, Feb. 6

Becoming an Effective Leader (Award Winning Series)

Wednesday, Feb. 7

IT Project Management Toolbox

Thursday, Feb. 8

Leading Project Teams

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Running Productive Meetings

Course descriptions are available at nbdc.unomaha.edu/NBDCstore/store.cfm. Register by calling 595-2900.

Writing Center announces spring hours

The Writing Center, located in Arts and Sciences Hall Room 150, is open to help students with their new spring hours. Not only can students come into the writing center, they can also receive help through the Writing Center Satellite located on the first floor of the Criss Library or online through the Writing Center online at unomaha.edu/writingcenter. The hours for all of these services are as follows:

Writing Center (ASH 150)

Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
(Closed Wednesdays from 3 to 4 p.m.)
Friday, 9 a.m. to noon

Writing Center Satellite

Monday through Thursday, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Writing Center Online

Sunday, 6 to 10 p.m.
Monday through Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

Common office supplies to benefit UNO

The Staff Advisory Council and UNO Mail Services are encouraging all campus departments to recycle their printer and toner cartridges. The money received from this recycling program will benefit UNO, with two-thirds of the money earned going to student scholarships and the remaining money going to ongoing SAC projects.

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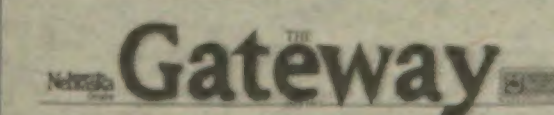
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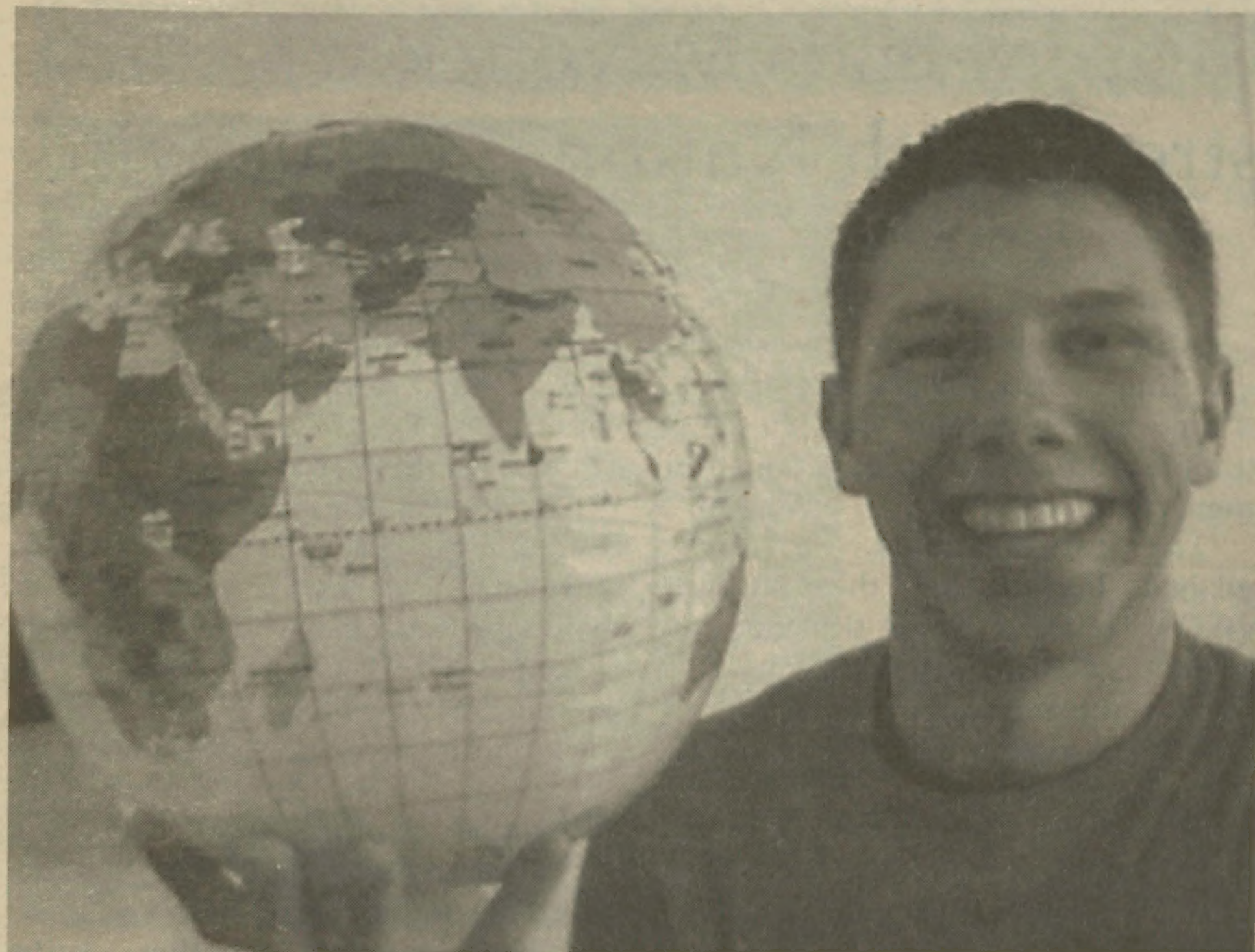


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UNO senior Chris Miller is attempting to tell the world he is in love with his self-published book, *Help a Kid in Love*.

UNO student sets out to tell world he is in love with new book, Web site

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It was 3 a.m. on a Sunday in October 2005, and 21-year-old Chris Miller was speeding to Wal-Mart to purchase a pair of aviator sunglasses just like the pair Tom Cruise wore in *Top Gun*.

This was only part of the plan Miller devised to win back his former girlfriend, Steph.

"I've had a crush on Steph since the first grade," Miller said. "After dreaming about being with her throughout elementary school, junior high and high school, we finally ended up dating in college and it was a perfect relationship."

After buying the sunglasses, which looked nothing like the authentic ones Cruise had worn, Miller memorized the words to the song "You've Lost that Loving Feeling" while he waited for Steph to return home.

When she arrived, he got on one knee and sang to her using a television remote as the microphone.

Miller was prepared to make a complete fool out of himself.

"Falling in love with Steph made my life complete," Miller said. "I was willing to do anything within my human power to stop the separation from happening."

His attempt wasn't enough to change Steph's mind.

At the time, Miller believed life without Steph was unbearable.

"At first life sucked," Miller said. "I was depressed and unmotivated to do anything."

Miller then conjured up another

plan, and this time he went global. His mission: to tell the entire world that he loves Steph.

"No one has ever told the entire world a single message, at least that I know of," Miller said.

Miller created a Web site, helpakidinlove.com as well as Facebook and Myspace groups called "Help a Kid in Love."

He has even published his own book that carries the same title.

It is available in the UNO Bookstore, The Big O Bookstore, The Reading Grounds, Bookworm or through his Web site for \$21.95.

Miller said everyone should read his book, which primarily focuses on how to mend a broken heart.

"I wrote my book to help ease the stress and pain of love and relationships," Miller said. "No matter what, love is going to find you. And when it does, it is eventually going to put you through an indescribable pain."

Since the breakup, Miller said he has become a risk taker. He has taken up skydiving, run a marathon and is currently starting his own business.

"I've got nothing to lose, so now I can take risks and do things that most people would be too scared to do," Miller said.

Miller said people shouldn't stop caring for past loved ones, but should always remember to care for themselves.

"If you really love them you will always want the best for them," Miller said. "But don't forget that you've still got a life of your own to live."

UNO professors conduct study on relationships, biology in gay men

KATIE ZABROCKI
STAFF WRITER

Two researchers from UNO are attempting to prove relationship behaviors may be influenced by biology and testosterone levels.

While the influence of biology on relationship behaviors has been studied in heterosexuals, Jeffrey French, along with Jeffrey Fite, his research collaborator, have undertaken a study to examine the psychology and biology behind relationships among homosexual males. This is a new area of research and relatively uncharted water for the scientific community.

It seems like the same people are always in relationships while others have a new partner each week. French and Fite researchers are trying to prove this may be more than a coincidence.

These relationship behaviors may be

attributed to something beyond simple personality differences and tastes. There is a growing field in social neuroscience that has begun to address how social relationships are influenced by underlying biological processes and properties, and vice versa.

"There are variations in social behaviors in and out of committed romantic relationships for heterosexuals and homosexuals," said French, a psychology and biology professor at UNO. "Our goal is to discover whether these variations in behavior can be attributed to something biologically."

French and Fite have been conducting the study for the past six months. Homosexual males ages 19 to 65 have been sought for the study.

Information gathered from single participants is as equally pertinent and

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UNO predicts 2008 candidates

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SENIOR STAFF WRITER

right now, but that's what people seem to go for, the big names."

While people are still recovering from the 2006 mid-term elections, candidates for the 2008 presidential race have already hit the campaign trails. While only a few candidates from each party have actually announced, the major names in both parties will be announcing if they plan on running within the next few months.

But it's never too early to handicap the race, so here are some opinions from UNO students and faculty on who will win each of the parties' nominations:

Joe Wisniewski, Junior



"For the Democrats I would say Hillary Clinton because there's no one else really, and for the Republicans [John] McCain because he's more moderate and more

moderate candidates tend to win the nominations."

David Healy, Sophomore



"I could see [Rudy] Giuliani and [Barack] Obama. Those

are the two that are probably going to be up there, mainly because they're big names. I know it's early

Katie Dowd, Junior



"I think Barack Obama will do it [for the Democrats] because he seems to be in that position anyways in his career. He's moving toward that step. He's got a lot of popularity with the public. I think Mitt Romney [for the Republicans]. I don't really know that much about him, but my political science professor said he has a good shot because we haven't had a senator elected as president since JFK."



Dr. Gregory Petrow, Political Science Assistant Professor

"I think the Democratic nominee will be Joe Biden,

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Jerad Kaufmann makes a pad save on Mankato's Jon Kalinski during the first period of Tuesday's game.

UNO extends winless streak against Minnesota State with overtime loss

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SENIOR STAFF WRITER

On Tuesday, Minnesota State-Mankato sunk the fangs of their 10-game, five-year snakebite even deeper into their Maverick mascot brethren from Omaha.

The Mavericks from Minnesota State won the "Spirit of the Maverick" trophy once again this year, handing UNO a frustrating 3-2 overtime loss before a

less-than-capacity crowd of 2,766 at the Qwest Center.

MSU opened the scoring early as Travis Morin tucked the puck behind sophomore goaltender Jerad Kaufmann only 1:36 in to the first period on the power play. Luckily for UNO, senior captain Scott Parse came up big once again and evened the score less than two

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Kearney ends Maverick wrestling streak with National Duals win

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

After sitting atop the Division II wrestling world for the better part of three years, the unstoppable UNO grapplers finally came up against an immovable foe.

The fourth-ranked Mavericks fell just short of their third-straight NWCA National Duals title Sunday as No. 2 Nebraska-Kearney used a pin in the meet's final match to pull out a 20-19 victory and take home the championship.

It was the first time UNO had lost in a dual meet since Feb. 18, 2005, when Augustana upset the Mavs by the same score.

Coach Mike Denney said despite the outcome, he was pleased with the way his young team performed, especially against teams that were returning most of their wrestlers from last year.

"We were really proud of them," Denney said. "We've only got three guys who've ever wrestled in it before ... we've got a lot of new faces in the lineup and, heck, just the way we competed, I thought we wrestled really well."

Senior JD Naig, sophomore Todd Meneely and red shirt freshman Jacob Marrs, who each went 4-0 over the weekend, led the Mavericks.

UNO rolled over the University

of Findlay in the first round of the tournament, picking up wins in eight out of 10 weight classes to post a 33-7 victory. Naig, Meneely and sophomore Ross Taplin all won by fall early in their matches.

In the quarterfinals, the Mavs used Naig's second pin of the day and a major decision by Meneely to overcome the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown 22-13. Top-ranked 174-pounder Naig notched a big victory by upending No. 2 Eli Garshnick in 6:08.

Denney said the two-time NCAA II champion Naig continued to be the Mavs' leader and driving force.

"He's putting together quite a year," Denney said. "That guy's special."

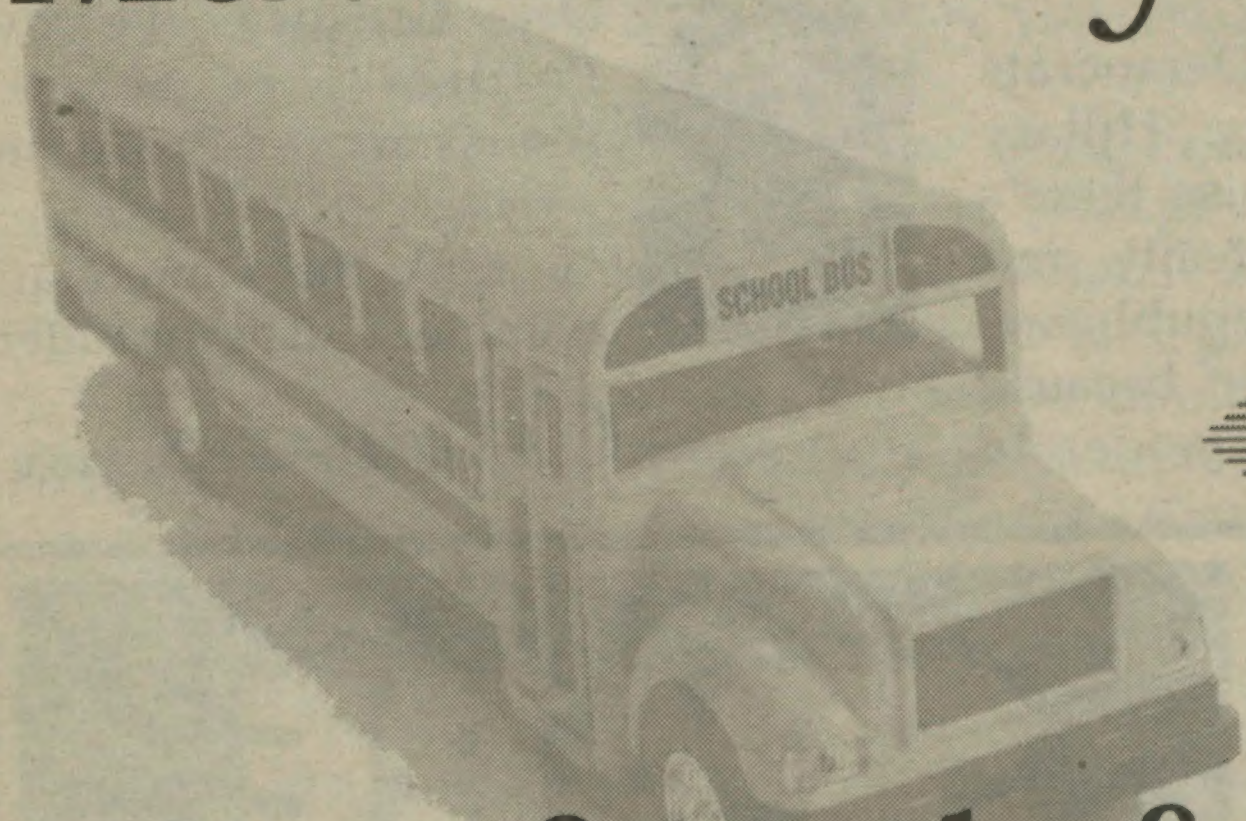
In the unfamiliar role of underdogs, the Mavericks scored their biggest coup of the weekend by upsetting Central Oklahoma, the No. 1 team in Division II, 20-16 in the semifinals.

The Mavs were behind 13-4 after the first five matches, but rattled off four straight wins to overtake the Bronchos and make it into the finals.

After Taplin and Naig started the run, senior 184-pounder Nate Oviatt picked up six crucial points for the Mavericks with a pin over seventh-

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Attention all Mav Hockey Fans!!



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Winter 2007 Area Concert Schedule



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Danity Kane will be opening up for Christina Aguilera's performance on Feb. 23 at the Qwest Center.

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*** all ticket prices and age requirements are noted where available.

Jan. 19, 9 p.m. - Straight Outta Junior High/ The Miscasts/ The Last of the V8s/ West of Reality
Sokol Underground - \$5

Jan. 19, 9 p.m. - Eagle*Seagull/ Landing on the Moon/ Kite Pilot
The Saddle Creek Bar (21+) - \$5

Jan. 20, 9 p.m. - The Weary Boys/ The

Filter Kings
The Saddle Creek Bar
(21+) - \$10 at the door

Jan. 20, 9:30 p.m. -
Lost Americans/ Midwest
Dilemma
O'leavers Pub

Jan. 20, 9 p.m. - Oxygen/
Thousand Houses
Sokol Underground - \$6

Jan. 22, 9 p.m. - The
Appleseed Cast/ Asobi
Seksu/ Little Brazil
Sokol Underground - \$8

Jan. 23, 8 p.m. - Kanser
/ Himself
O'leavers Pub

Jan. 27, 9:30 p.m. -
Legendary Terrordactyls/
Boo and Boo Too/ Gamma

Goat
O'leavers Pub

Jan. 27, 8 p.m. - Ladyfinger/ Paria/ No
Action/ & The Stay Awake
Sokol Underground - \$7

Jan. 28, 8 p.m. - Destruction/ Narcotic
Self/ Sadus/ School of Arms
Sokol Underground - \$12

Jan. 30, 8 p.m. - The Number Twelve
Looks Like You/ From A Second Story
Window/ Speakerfire/ Cancer Bats
Sokol Underground - \$10

Feb. 1, 8 p.m. - Uneath/ Diskreet/
Barter the Trigger
Sokol Underground - \$12 In advance/
\$14 day of show

Feb. 2, 9 p.m. - Oxford Collapse/
Thunderbirds are Now!/ Latitude,
Longitude
Sokol Underground - \$8

Feb. 8, 9 p.m. - Earl Greyhound
Sokol Underground - \$8

Feb. 9, 9 p.m. - Adam Weaver & The
Ghosts/ Race for Titles
Sokol Underground - \$5

Feb. 10, 9 p.m. - The Filter
Kings/ Virgasound/ The
Third Men
Sokol Underground - \$7

Feb. 10 & 11 - 1ST Bi-
annual winter psychofest '06
Friday- The Fallen
77, The Rundowns/ The
Deformities/ The Mercurys
/ TBA
Chez Peree

Saturday- Suzy
Homewrecker/ The Upsets
/ The Terminals/ Bad Luck
Charm/ Brimstone Howl
Slammers
\$7 per show or \$10 for both

Feb. 17, 9 p.m. - The Nein
Sokol Underground - \$7

Feb. 18, 7:30 p.m. - John Mayer/ Mat
Kearney
Qwest Center - \$45

Feb. 21, 9:30 p.m. - Ashley Raines
O'leavers Pub

Feb. 22, 9 p.m. - Sparta/ mewwithoutyou
/ Aloha
Sokol Underground - \$13

Feb. 23, 9:30 p.m. - Root Shoot Leaf/
Thunder Power/ Paper Owls
O'leavers Pub

Feb. 23, 9 p.m. - The Balance/ Sarah
Benck & The Robbers
Sokol Underground - \$8

Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m. - Christina Aguilera/
The Pussycat Dolls/ Danity Kane
Qwest Center - \$51.50 & \$87

Feb. 24, 8 p.m. - Goo Goo Dolls/
Augustana
Orpheum Theatre- SOLD OUT

Feb. 28, 7:30 p.m. - Nickelback/ Three
Days Grace/ Breaking Benjamin
Qwest Center - \$39.50 & \$46.50

March 3, 8:30 p.m. - Cold War Kids/
Tokyo Police Club/ Delta Spirit
Sokol Underground - \$12

March 8 - Lamb of God/ Trivium/
Machinehead
Sokol Auditorium - \$22



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Mat Kearney will be performing with John Mayer on Feb. 14.

March 8 - Justin Timberlake/ Pink
Qwest Center - \$56 & \$79

March 9, 7 p.m. - 2007 Take Action!
Tour
The Red Jumpsuit Apparatus/ Emery
/ Scary Kids Scaring Kids/ A Static Lullaby
/ Kaddisfly
Sokol Auditorium - \$18 ADV / \$20
DOS

March 15, 8 p.m. - Kittie/ Walls of
Jericho/ 36 Crazyfists/ Dead to Fall/ In
This Moment
Sokol Underground - \$15

March 29, 8 p.m. - Reverend Horton
Heat/ Murder by Death/ The Tossers
Sokol Underground - \$17

March 30, 9 p.m. - Explosions in the
Sky/ Eluvium/ The Paper Chase
Sokol Underground - \$ 8 ADV / \$10
DOS

March 31, 7:30 p.m. - Eric Clapton &
Robert Cray
Qwest Center - \$49.50, \$67, \$87

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Many concerts make a busy year for Omaha music scene, lovers

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STAFF WRITER

Rolling Stone has said it. SPIN said it. Countless online music sites and zines have said it.

Omaha, Neb., the little town that could, has done more than develop a hot music scene. Omaha has come into its own and is quickly becoming a prime destination for touring artists in the Midwest.

Five years ago, the forecast was for Omaha to turn out indie rock acts ala the Saddle Creek music label. Major label players came in and courted many of these acts such as The Faint and Bright Eyes, in an effort to lure them away and make a little green for

themselves. The groups said no, and kept at their art on their own terms and made the choice to stay independent.

They weren't the only ones making music and creating a scene people desire to be a part of. Omaha's growing music scene is paying out in spades, courtesy of the hard work of those determined to make it happen. Their energy seems to have a magnetic effect. The decisions made by locals to stay and build a scene, rather than relocate to another more hospitable place have no doubt played a part in helping to make Omaha a destination. Local fans are no longer all but required to skip town in order

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Student Government Open Positions

Legislative and Public Relations Officer

The LPR acts as the liaison between the University of Nebraska Board of Regents, the State Legislature, Omaha City Council and other governmental agencies. The LPR in addition to its legislative duties promotes the University Student Government to the student body, governs the student elections process, appoints the Election Commission members and completes any other activities requested by all branches of the University Student Government.

Executive Treasurer

The Executive Treasurer maintains the revenues and expenses of the entire University Student Government, chairs the Student Activities Budget Committee (SABC) and provides reports to the Senate and Executive Council when necessary.

American Multicultural Students Director

The American Multicultural Students Agency provides support, assistance and guidance to multicultural students attending UNO by providing programs and events designed to increase awareness about various cultures. Speakers, forums and photographic exhibits are just a few of the programs coordinated through AMS.

Network for disAbled Students Director

The primary mission of the Network for disAbled Students Agency (NDS) is to provide services at UNO to students with disabilities. These services include a library of multimedia materials for research and educational usage as well as specialized equipment. NDS is an advocate and referral service regarding disability issues and also provides programs that promote awareness about the diverse issues concerning those who are disAbled.

Election Commission

The 9 person commission is responsible for counseling candidates during the election season(s), determining the merit of grievances filed against candidates for any student office, the implementation and enforcement of the Election Rules and Provisions, and the validation of the election results.

College of Arts & Science Senator

The College of Arts & Science Senator must be a student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and in the College of Arts & Science. Senators research and propose legislation that is in the best interest of the student body. Senators must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete one office hour a week.

College of Public Affairs & Comm Service Senator

The College of Public Affairs and Community Service Senator must be a student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and in the College of Public Affairs and Community Service. Senators research and propose legislation that is in the best interest of the student body. Senators must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete one office hour a week.

College of Education and Human Sciences Senator

The Education and Human Sciences Senator must be a student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and in the College of Education and Human Sciences. Senators research and propose legislation that is in the best interest of the student body. Senators must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete one office hour a week.

Graduate College Senator

The Graduate College Senator must be a student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and in the Graduate College. Senators research and propose legislation that is in the best interest of the student body. Senators must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete one office hour a week.

Graduate Class Senator

The Graduate Class Senator must be a student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and in the Graduate Class. Senators research and propose legislation that is in the best interest of the student body. Senators must attend a meeting every Thursday at 7 p.m. and complete one office hour a week.



Applications are available on the Student Government website at <http://sguno.unomaha.edu> and in our office located on the 1st floor of the Milo Bail Student Center. Please stop by or call 554-2620 with any questions.

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From **BAGHDAD**: Page 2

a vast Shiite slum, killing six and wounding 11. The explosion took place a few hundred feet from an office belong to Muqtada al-Sadr.

The last major attack came at 4:45 p.m., when gunmen opened fire on a market in the Binog neighborhood of eastern Baghdad, killing 12 civilians and wounding 17.

Maliki condemned the university bombing. "They committed a shameful stain upon humanity," he said in a statement. "Those who did it will not escape from punishment and the hand of justice will chase them no matter how long it takes."

The mayhem came on the same day that the United Nations announced that 34,452 civilians died in violence in Iraq

during 2006. The U.N. report said the "root cause of the sectarian violence lie in revenge killings and lack of accountability."

Meanwhile, the U.S. military announced that four soldiers from the 4th Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division were killed Monday by a roadside bomb in Ninevah province in northwest Iraq. The deaths brought total number of U.S. soldiers killed in Iraq since the 2003 invasion to 3,028, according to the Web site icasualties.org.

McClatchy Newspapers special correspondents Laith Hammoudi, Mohammed al Awsy and a correspondent who cannot be named for security reasons contributed to this report.

From **STUDY**: Page 3

valuable as the data gathered from those in relationships, French said. Potential participants must be males who self-identify their primary sexual orientation as homosexual.

The study consists of taking a non-invasive saliva sample to test for a particular biomarker, which has a correlation to an individual's testosterone level. A recruited participant simply has to provide informed consent to a practitioner and then allow them to collect a saliva sample.

Afterward, the participant is given a link to a secure server and is asked to fill out an anonymous, confidential questionnaire. Questions are asked about his relationship status, quality of relationships and nature of commitments.

"The saliva test consists of the subject chewing on a piece of dental cotton for two

minutes," French said. "This provides enough saliva to test for the biomarker of interest."

This biomarker can then be used to test for biological differences among participants, and will hopefully show a correlation with the individual's relationship behavior.

The results of the study will be published in a scientific journal. The research will be added to a growing body of data on the subject.

"Since this is a relatively new area of study, there is literally no foreknowledge of results," French said.

Participants are still being sought for the study, and French and Fite plan to continue gathering data from subjects throughout the spring semester.

Those interested in participating in the study can contact French at 554-2558, or jfrench@mail.unomaha.edu.

From **CANDIDATES**: Page 3

and I think the Republican nominee will be Sam Brownback because at this point in time, historically, it's almost impossible to predict who the

party nominee will be. Thus, the party nominees end up being people that you never could have guessed earlier in the primary season."

Systems Manager/Web Master:

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Nomad: New bar provides cosmopolitan experience to downtown area



photo by Michelle Bishop

Nomad bartender Donald Thayer chats with customers. The Nomad Lounge is one of downtown Omaha's newest bars.

REVIEW BY MICHAEL MCMANUS
A&L EDITOR

Former President Jimmy Carter once said our country has become "not a melting pot, but a beautiful mosaic. Different people, different beliefs, different yearnings, different hopes, different dreams."

That sentiment is the underlying motivation in the creation of a cool new hot spot in the downtown area.

People embrace cultural differences in a variety of ways, and since the opening of the new Nomad Lounge, bars are apparently doing the same.

Located at 11th and Jones streets in the Old Market Lofts, the Nomad Lounge has taken downtown Omaha by pleasant surprise. Many style mavens and night-life connoisseurs have often said West Omaha is the only place to go for sophisticated and cutting-edge night life. Many are now changing their minds.

Nomad, which ultimately means "no home," is a reflection of the four lounge founders' passion for travel and tendency to spend large amounts of time away from home in various cities around the world. Charles Hull, of Archival, a youth branding agency that helps Nomad Lounge attract Gen X and Gen Y consumers, said Nomad

Lounge integrates a lot of the influences from different destinations around the globe the four founders have personally experienced in their travels and their combined wanderlust.

"Combined, the four founders have visited or lived in over 116 countries and most of the world's major cities," said Hull.

These travels are quite apparent when walking through the large glass doors of Nomad. It is quite an experience; an experience that made me ask myself "Is this place really in Omaha?"

The ambiance and interior décor is, simply put, one of a kind, at least within the Omaha community.

Hull said it's this ambience that gives Nomad Lounge such a unique vibe.

"A big part of that vibe is the interior character of the lounge," said Hull. "The 1901 historic Old Market building gave us a lot of built in character to work with that just can't be found or replicated in other parts of Omaha."

Hull said they designed the bar to compliment the big wood beams, wood floors and old brick walls already there. He believes the result is a venue with a tremendous amount of authenticity and personality that is "tough to find elsewhere in Omaha."

rows of first-rate liquors, wines and beers from a variety of the finest countries in the world.

Grabbing a seat at the bar was a little challenging because of the crowded atmosphere, but standing next to the bar and watching what was going on above was just as entertaining. When I say above, I am referring to the DJ booth that was built into the top of the bar. The DJ, spinning an international lounge mix, separated this lounge from many of the overly pretentious venues that you often find in West Omaha.

Walking away from the bar is just as interesting. Each side of Nomad is separated by intimate, semi-private cabanas. The cabanas consist of three plush leather couches and are lit by candlelight. In fact, Nomad boasts more than 100 candles throughout the entire lounge. Against the walls of each cabana features art work from around the world, some with an Indian feel and others with a somewhat African appeal.

My only complaint would actually have to be the seating. If you arrive to the lounge before 9 p.m., you should be fine with getting a cabana area or a seat at the bar. Come at around 10 p.m., and you are going to be out of luck. If I could provide

I concur. The dim lighting, wood floors and brick walls instantly give the patrons of the lounge a refined and worldly feel. Once you pass the two somewhat intimidating bouncers, you come face to face with a large rectangular bar. Encased within the bar are endless

a suggestion to the lounge, it would be to add more intimate couple seating, maybe some high top tables or designer love seats. Renting cabanas is an option to lounge patrons, but it's a two-bottle minimum to do so. When bottles start at around \$70 and go up to over triple that cost, renting isn't an option for all.

Since we are on the topic of the cost of bottles, it's probably time to get to the meat of this review, the cost of the cocktail. You pay for class, that's the bottom line. However, at Nomad, you pay a lot less for this class than you would at many of the local competing bars. Mixed drinks range from \$5 to \$12, and beers, both domestic and imports, all sell for \$4. Nomad also prides itself in offering shots from around the world, and its featured drinks ranging from Rio, Bangkok, Amsterdam and 30 other international style destinations.

To compliment your drink selection, you can add a tasty Mediterranean bread spread, Peruvian Ceviche or one of their dozen other decadent appetizers. For those of you with a sweet tooth, servers walk around with trays of Swiss and Belgium chocolates handpicked by Nomad's chocolate expert for you to enjoy.

Finally, a place worth visiting in downtown Omaha. A place to dress to impress. A cutting-edge lounge with an attractive and sophisticated crowd.

Do you kNOMad?

-No advertising was done for Nomad. Everything was word of mouth.

-The architectural and interior design work was done by Tom Allisma Productions, the same company that designed Blue Sushi and Bianco Ristorante.

-More than two years of research and development went into the opening of Nomad.

-Free high-speed wireless is available throughout the lounge.

-Will soon host art shows, fashion shows, performance art and guest DJs.

-Portion of Nomad's profit goes to the Omaha homeless.

From **HOCKEY:** Page 4

minutes later, rocketing a slap shot that had trickled through Bryan Marshall's legs past MSU goaltender Mike Zacharias. The score would stay tied until 18:48 into the second when Marshall shot the puck past Zacharias, who lost the puck thanks to a screen from his linemate Dan Charleston.

The 2-1 lead would carry over in to the third period until a bouncing puck landed on the stick of Mankato's Joel Hanson and continued to bounce, even after he shot it, through the pads of Kaufmann and into the back of the net at 8:33 in the third.

For UNO, which skated to a 4-4 tie with Mankato on Nov. 21 after Scott Parse scored the game-tying goal halfway through the third period, it looked like karma would reign supreme as the Mavs headed in to overtime.

However, the Mavs got the short end of the stick, literally, once again as a turnover led to a one-on-nothing rush for Jon Kalinski, who beat Kaufmann inside the right pipe to extend MSU's record against UNO to 12-5-3 all-time, 9-0-2 since February 2002.

"I can't even explain how frustrated I am right now," Kaufmann said. "It's just -- for us not to beat those guys -- in my mind, we're a better club, we should beat

those guys."

Kemp gave a lot of the credit to MSU's goaltender for keeping the game close. "Zacharias was in the right spot and when they had chances, they cleared the puck," he said. "That's the frustrating thing...we just didn't get it tonight."

This was the ninth time UNO had played in an overtime situation this year, the fifth in seven games, and the team failed to secure their first overtime win in more than a year. "Basically just bear down and finish, that's all it is," Kemp said. The loss also means that each of this year's graduating seniors will leave having never won against the Mavericks from Minnesota State.

But the Mavs don't have the luxury of letting the sting of the loss carry through the rest of the week. With UNO four points from 4th place and three points from 10th in the CCHA, to say this weekend's road trip to Ferris State is important would be an understatement. Kaufmann said the team just needs to buckle down and ride out the rest of the season.

"We've got big games coming up and we're looking pretty good in the standings right now," Kauffman said. "If we can string a couple of games together we'll be looking fine."

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to see their favorite artists.

A visit to The Roxbury revealed a club making its way to fill in a niche left by the now defunct Ranch Bowl. Local promoters, 1% Productions, are booking shows with such frequency that they often have shows scattered across town nightly. Favorite midtown indie standby, the 49r, is offering live music on Saturday nights. Countless other bars and clubs are opening up stages and turning on mics, and providing places for local acts to set up their gear and play to receptive crowds.

From **WRESTLING:** Page 4

ranked Jared Hess, and Marrs scored a major decision over Mike Fowler at 197 pounds.

In the final showdown of the weekend, though, the Mavs' luck and 13-match win streak ran out.

UNO led rival Kearney by a score of 19-14 heading into the heavyweight bout, but the Lopers' top-ranked Tervel Dlagnev pinned Tony Lewis and secured the come-from-behind victory for his team.

One notable absence from the Maverick lineup was sophomore Cody Garcia. Garcia, the defending national champ at 125 pounds, has been rehabilitating a knee injury and

Things are no different downtown. The guys at Saddle Creek have a new club slated to open at 13th & Cuming streets this summer. The Holland Center is open for business. The Orpheum Theater will be hosting an upcoming sold out show by the Goo Goo Dolls. Since it opened, the Qwest Center has been bringing in major shows over the last couple of years...just in time for spring, Justin Timberlake will be gyrating on his way to bringing sexy back. The new year is already shaping up to be a great one for live music in the area.

probably won't return for at least three weeks.

While Denney was quick to praise senior Jimmy Ball, who went 2-2 at 125, he said it was tough not having the oft-pinning Garcia on the squad.

"We miss him, boy, he's a big piece of the puzzle," said Denney.

Still, being undermanned and underestimated is something Denney believes his team is equipped to handle.

"I think it's a little bit of a motivator," he said. "And I think they've proven that, even without our national champ, we're still going to have to be contended with."

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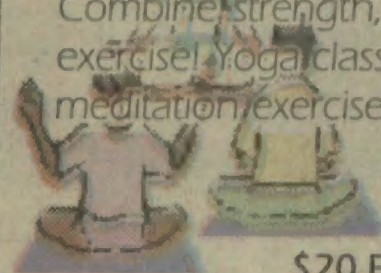
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Mav-Rec

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IM Sports

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